To: Jackson, Ryan[jackson.ryan@epa.gov]

**Cc:** Greenwalt, Sarah[greenwalt.sarah@epa.gov]; Richardson, RobinH[Richardson.RobinH@epa.gov]; Lyons, Troy[lyons.troy@epa.gov]

From: Fugh, Justina

**Sent:** Sat 4/29/2017 12:06:32 AM

Subject: RE: answering congressional inquiries

#### Hi there,

You tend to refer to incoming congressionals by subject matter, OCIR tends to refer to them by author, and I (being easily confused) refer to them by their assigned correspondence number. I had to apply my decoder ring to figure out which letters you mean (see below). I don't have a copy of the "ozone" letter at all.

With respect to the recusal letter itself, OGC is not completely done. Kevin provided comments to me yesterday and asked me to distribute it to the OGC Associates to be sure that we've captured all of the cases in which OK was a party, etc. I've updated the letter and will send it to the Associates and OECA for one last check tonight.

Correspondenc #	Author(s)	Date of incoming		OCIR deadline	COS deadline	OGC/Ethics Status
6492	Carper, Sanders, Whitehouse, Markey, Duckworth	3/17/17	political appointee ethics and other issues			
7478	Carper, Whitehouse, Merkley, Booker, Markey, Harris, Cantwell, Durbin, Blumenthal, Leahy	4/7/17	СРР			
7282	Carper, Sanders, Whitehouse, Merkley, Booker	3/21/17	WOTUS	Ex. 5 -	Deliberat	ive Process
??	??	??	Ozone?			
7145	Whitehouse	3/24/17	financial disclosures			
7572	Whitehouse,	4/14/17	ICR (to be			

	Carper, Schatz, Markey Warren	combined with OAR language) waivers	Ex. 5 - Deliberative Process
7118	McCaskill	ethics programs	

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From: Jackson, Ryan

**Sent:** Friday, April 28, 2017 5:58 PM **To:** Fugh, Justina <Fugh.Justina@epa.gov>

**Cc:** Greenwalt, Sarah <greenwalt.sarah@epa.gov>; Richardson, RobinH <Richardson.RobinH@epa.gov>; Lyons, Troy <lyons.troy@epa.gov>

Subject: RE: answering congressional inquiries



There were two additional letters added requesting information about new political staff and one other letter which are secondary priorities.

I really need the recusal letters to be ready to go on Monday and we will send with the email letter (hopefully).

I would like drafts from OCIR or at least a status update on those other two letters early next week. I'm likely wrong, but it feels to me like those other two letters are not getting processed very quickly. Pruitt will be testifying before the Senate on the budget by late June and I need these letters and future ones answered as quickly as we can.

Thanks.

From: Fugh, Justina

Sent: Wednesday, April 26, 2017 10:35 PM To: Jackson, Ryan < jackson.ryan@epa.gov>

Cc: Greenwalt, Sarah < greenwalt.sarah@epa.gov >; Richardson, RobinH

<Richardson.RobinH@epa.gov>

Subject: RE: answering congressional inquiries

Hi there,

Alas, I'm a little confused too. Perhaps when Robin Richardson and I connect (we're playing phone tag), we can figure out next steps.

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I have some other letters (see below) that mention ethics, so Robin and I will try to sort out how to and who will answer these:

17-000-3815 (12/22/16) from Senator Carper

17-000-7283 (3/22/17) from Senator Warren

17-000-7118 (4/4/17) from Senator McCaskill

17-000-7572 (4/14/17) from Senators Whitehouse, Carper, Schatz, Markey (two of the questions deal with ethics)

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From: Jackson, Ryan

**Sent:** Wednesday, April 26, 2017 6:28 PM **To:** Fugh, Justina < Fugh. Justina@epa.gov >

Cc: Greenwalt, Sarah < greenwalt.sarah@epa.gov > Subject: RE: answering congressional inquiries

I'm not sure I understand.

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From: Fugh, Justina

**Sent:** Tuesday, April 25, 2017 3:52 PM

**To:** Jackson, Ryan < <u>jackson.ryan@epa.gov</u>> **Subject:** answering congressional inquiries

Hi Ryan,

Yep, I drafted responses and sent them to you, Robin and Kevin on Friday of last week. Here it is again in case you missed it in the many other emails you receive.

I was out yesterday, but Robin called me to discuss. We're playing phone tag but I hope we connect soon. On the recusal front, I'll ask Kevin if he has any comments and, if not, then I can bring the statement to you so that we can secure the Administrator's signature.

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From: Fugh, Justina

Sent: Friday, April 21, 2017 4:27 PM

To: Richardson, RobinH < Richardson. RobinH@epa.gov >; Minoli, Kevin

< Minoli. Kevin@epa.gov>

Cc: Jackson, Ryan < jackson.ryan@epa.gov>

Subject: RE: Administrator's recusal and answering congressional inquiries

Hi Robin and Kevin,

Kevin is reviewing the draft recusal statement for the Administrator, so Ryan asked me to start

preparing responses to the various ethics-related congressional inquiries. Although Kevin will sign, we want to be sure (of course!) that OCIR provides its expert advice about the response. So I'm sending to you now for any comments you may have.

17-000-7282 (3/21/17) from Carper, Sanders, Whitehouse, Merkley, Booker

17-000-7478 (4/7/17) from Carper, Markey, Cantwell, Blumenthal, Leahy, Durbin, Harris, Whitehouse, Merkley, Booker

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17-000-7145 (3/24/17) from Whitehouse

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From: Richardson, RobinH  Sent: Thursday, April 20, 2017 5:58 PM  To: Fugh, Justina < Fugh. Justina@epa.gov >; Greenwalt, Sarah <greenwalt.sarah@epa.gov>; Lyons, Troy &lt; Iyons.troy@epa.gov &gt;  Cc: Jackson, Ryan &lt; iackson.ryan@epa.gov &gt;; Minoli, Kevin &lt; Minoli.Kevin@epa.gov &gt;  Subject: RE: Administrator's recusal and answering congressional inquiries</greenwalt.sarah@epa.gov>
Hi Justina – Here to help, just say when. Thank you! Best, Robin
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From: Fugh, Justina

**Sent:** Thursday, April 20, 2017 3:07 PM

To: Greenwalt, Sarah < greenwalt.sarah@epa.gov >; Lyons, Troy < lyons.troy@epa.gov >

Cc: Jackson, Ryan < jackson.ryan@epa.gov >; Richardson, RobinH

< <u>Richardson.RobinH@epa.gov</u>>; Minoli, Kevin < <u>Minoli.Kevin@epa.gov</u>>

Subject: Administrator's recusal and answering congressional inquiries

Hi there,

I expect that the Administrator will soon sign his recusal statement. I met with Ryan earlier today.

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